

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

TERUYOSHI WASHIZAWA

Application No.: 09/312,841

Filed: May 17, 1999

For: IMAGE PROCESSING
APPARATUS AND METHOD

Examiner: G. Desire

Group Art Unit: 2621

September 27, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2001 for three months from June 27, 2001 to September 27, 2001.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$890.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on

September 27, 2001
(Date of Deposit)

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Signature Date of Signature

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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